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SUBJECT: UNESCO INITIATIVE ON THE OCCUPIED ARAB  
TERRITORIES

REFS: (A) PARIS 23027, (B) PARIS 23481,  
(C) TEL AVIV 5733

1. FURTHER TO REF (A) AND (B), DURING AUGUST 23  
PRIVATE DINNER AT ISRAELI'S PERMREP YAPOU RESIDENCE,  
LATTER CONFIRMED TO ACTING US PERMREP WARVARIV THAT HE  
HAS NOW RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS ALONG THE LINES  
DESCRIBED IN REF (C).

2. YAPOU STRESSED THAT WHAT IS IMPORTANT NOW, SINCE  
GOI IS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S  
INITIATIVE, IS TO AGREE ON THE TIMING FOR THE VISIT.  
HE REPEATED ARGUMENTS AGAINST SENDING THE DG'S REPRE-  
SENTATIVES IN SEPTEMBER; AS OUTLINED IN PARA. 3 OF  
REF (C), AND THOUGHT THAT THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL WOULD  
AGREE.

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3. ASKED WHEN YAPOU WILL DELIVER GOI RESPONSE TO THE

DG'S AUGUST 9 LETTER, YAPOU SAID THAT SINCE DG M'BOW IS NOW VACATIONING OUT OF FRANCE, HE WILL HAVE THE REPLY READY FOR DELIVERY ON SEPTEMBER 6, THE DAY M'BOW EXPECTED TO RETURN TO PARIS.

4. YAPOU CONCLUDED THAT BEST SOLUTION, AS FAR AS L9TH GENCONF IS CONCERNED, IS FOR DG TO ANNOUNCE THAT HE AND GOI HAVE AGREED ON THE VISIT AND HAVE SET SPECIFIC DATE. HOWEVER, YAPOU DID NOT MENTION THE LAST POINT REPORTED IN REF (C), NOR DID HE ASK FOR ANY HELP ON OUR PART IN ENCOURAGING THE DG TO FOLLOW GOI SUGGESTED PROCEDURE.

5. COMMENT: AS WE SEE IT FROM THIS VANTAGE POINT, US APPROACH TO DG M'BOW ON BOTH QUESTIONS OF TIMING OF THE SUBJECT VISIT AND TACTIC PROCEDURE HE SHOULD ADOPT FOR THE L9TH GENCONF MAY NOT RPT NOT BE IN ORDER AT THIS EARLY STAGE. SINCE WE QUITE AWARE HOW KEEN DG M'BOW IS TO ACHIEVE PROGRESS ON SUBJECT ISSUE, AND SINCE THIS IS DG'S OWN INITIATIVE, IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO LEAVE IT ENTIRELY UP TO HIM TO SETTLE IT WITH PARTIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED. WE SHOULD, OF COURSE, WORK BEHIND THE SCENES TO FACILITATE SUCCESSFUL RESOLUTION OF THIS AS WELL AS OTHER RELATED SENSITIVE ISSUES BEFORE NAIROBI CONFERENCE.

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